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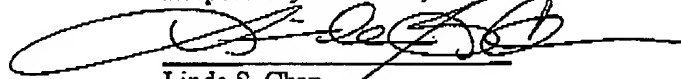
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This application is a CON of PCT/AU02/00657 05/27/2002

## Foreign Applications

## Acceptable Request to Retrieve Priority Application Received?

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NO

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The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is **US10/723,990**

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**Non-Publication Request:** No

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**Title**

Liquid handling means for excision apparatus

**Preliminary Class**

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Docket No. FBR 20.750

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

LIQUID HANDLING MEANS FOR EXCISION APPARATUS

the specification of which

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